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ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD REGARDING AN
APPLICATION TO MODIFY A PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT AND OPERATE
AN AIR POLLUTION-EMITTING SOURCE**

PROPOSED ACTION: J. R. Simplot Company, Pocatello, Idaho applied to the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) to modify its permit to construct and operate an air pollution-emitting source located at Section 18 R34E, T6S; 5 ½ Section 7 R34E T6S, approximately at the intersection of Hwy 30 and Hwy 15. DEQ has determined that construction and operation according to the proposed modified permit will not cause or significantly contribute to a violation of any ambient air quality standard and will not injure or unreasonably affect human, animal life or vegetation. DEQ has reviewed the application and completed an analysis of the information submitted by the applicant for the removal of the throughput limit for the No. 300 sulfuric acid plant. Based on this analysis, DEQ proposes to issue the modified permit to construct to J. R. Simplot Company in Pocatello.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: Notice is given that the DEQ has scheduled a period to receive public comments under Docket No. AQ-0810, Project No. P-060317 concerning only the proposed modified terms in accordance with IDAPA 58.01.01.209. A package containing the information submitted by the applicant, DEQ's analysis, and the proposed modified permit is available for public review on DEQ's website at <http://www.deq.idaho.gov>.

Anyone may submit written comment regarding the project and proposed modified permit. To be most effective, comments should address air quality considerations and include supporting materials where available. Comments, requests, and questions regarding the public comment process should be directed to Faye Weber, Department of Environmental Quality, 1410 N. Hilton, Boise, Idaho 83706-1255, faye.weber@deq.idaho.gov; or at DEQ's website. Please reference the company name and docket number when sending comments or requesting information. All information regarding this matter, current and future, including the issuance of the final permit and Statement of Basis, will be available on DEQ's website. You may elect to sign on to DEQ's list server and receive electronic information automatically at <http://www.deq.idaho.gov>.

For technical assistance on questions concerning this project or the permitting process, please contact Carole Zundel at (208) 373-0477.

All written comment and data concerning this proposal must be directed to and received by the undersigned on or before 5 p.m. MST/MDT, May 7, 2008.

DATED this 31st day of March, 2008.

Faye Weber
Air Quality Division